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## Europe Declares 24 Hour Armistice Today As Nazi Government Lauds Hope May Day

### M. Day Suspense Demoralizes, Allied and Central Forces Hit; Eminent Doctor Fears Epidemic

Eden Calls for Info'  
On May Queen's  
Identity in Name of  
Good Warfare

(By Cable from The Anchor's  
London Bureau)

By DON SAGER

LONDON, May 10—In a most unexpected reversal of events, the warring nations of Europe declared a 24-hour Armistice at midnight Thursday (7 A. M., EST). The joint declarations of German and Allied nations received here this morning was not, as many foreign observers at first believed, to "preserve and further May day celebration on all fronts," but was the direct result of extreme nervous tension caused by suspense in learning the name of Hope's new campus queen.

Dr. Whatsamatternow, eminent society physician of Leipzig, diagnosed the case as chronic hysteria induced by innate curiosity and the resulting lack of sleep caused by failure to discern the immediate identity of this all-important May queen. Said Dr. W., "Early in April officials of both forces noticed traces of wood poisoning resulting from incessant chewing of rifle butts and trench structures. Such displays of intense jitters calls for immediate action. So time was called for the men to learn who the campus queen is and thereby return to near normalcy. In the name of organized warfare, man, please inform us immediately (collect) as to the identity of this May queen!"

#### Parliament Upset

Anthony Eden, Chamberlain, Churchill, and a few others remarked that the scene in England lately is so quiet that one can hear a Ribbontrop. Luckily the English spring is clement as the natives' breath is coming in short pants now, blackouts and all, due to breathless anticipation of the campus queenie. Said a Parliamentary spokesman, "Never in all my years have I seen one queen so upset the demeanor of our jolly ol' Parliament, don't ya' know."

Said Foreign Minister Von Ribbons Off, "We cannot afford to miss May day at any cost. The German nation owes a great debt to Miss Raffenaud and her cabinet for daring to go ahead with Hope state May day plans in the face of the world's greatest international disaster. Today the German nation takes great pride in being the first to declare Mabelization on all fronts. Every minority citizen will have an extra slice of ersatz bread and ditto butter. After all, May day comes only once a year."

#### Narvik to Have Pole

A second flash from London reports that the Allied war council has completed plans for an international May Pole dance. Space is being cleared between the Siegfried and Maginot lines for the festivity in honor of the as yet unnamed Hope campus queen. A smaller Pole will be erected on an unnamed iceberg out of German-held Narvik. English and Germans plan to wind the Norwegians about the pole during the celebration.

Most significant event of the armistice, however, will be the big May Pole dance in no-man's land. Germans, French, and English are said to be gathering in great numbers at the scene of events. Music will be furnished by the League of Nations ensemble. To add interest to the spectacle, each member will blow his neighbor's instrument. Stated London in an unexplained state of humility, "We've been tooting our own horns long enough."

#### Hitler to be Crowned?

Highlight of the Pole parley

will be the crowning of an unnamed queen. The Allies expressed themselves as desiring to crown Hitler. This wish, long unrealized, will probably be coming true today as he is conceded the vote. "After all," stated a high German official, in defense of the probable choice, "if der Fuehrer doesn't get the vote there will be der Furer anyhow. Do I make myself clear?"

### Sino-Jap War Off, Too; Men Join Festivities

### Correspondent Reports Mabel May Have Chance With Eastern Fighters

NAGASAKI, (IOU), May 10—Generalissimo Chaing-Kai-Shek announced by special burro today that due to a certain western festivity, commonly known as May day, Chinese-Japanese guerilla warfare will be suspended until further notice.

#### Rising Son Rises

Meanwhile, the rising son of the Rising Sun said for the Japs: "This guerilla warfare business has been making monkeys out of most of us for too long now, too yet. Better we should follow Miss Chow-Chow, Chop Suey, Blue Plate (Althea Raffenaud to youse), and throw a sixty-cent ham plate with bamboo shoots at our dear friends, the Chinese."

Our inland reporter, stationed 20 miles from the nearest gas station, sends us this so-called human interest story (collect): "For at least five hours now ever since the last issue of The Anchor reached us here in the hinterlands, every Chinese dragon has been snorting by being dressed in a sarong and carrying placards purveying the charms of 'Mabel, the May-dame.' Really very disconcerting, don't ya' know. However, since this is a collect wire, let me tell you the latest joke about the generalissimo." (At this point the wire was censored.)

#### Wet Wash Pole SRO

A Chinese version of the May-pole festooned with wet wash at eight cents per pound, shirts finished, rest rough dry, will be planted in the compound of the Yanking-Yanking railroad station just west of Burnips, near the great Chinese wall. At least eleven thousand members of the minority party are expected to attend this event and to share in the artillery practice following. Said a chrome-cast spokesman for the celebration, "All Chinese crackers are capering out for the May pole and carp-shooting contests. We expect to hang out the SRO sign pretty soon now, to yet."

If Mabel only had slant eyes and would renounce her American citizenship, both the Chinese and Japanese would cease their fracas and offer her either Fujiyama (that's a volcano) or a little street in Singapore.

### Two Dormies Miss Hospitalized Mate

Lonely roommates, Lois Heinrichs and Mary Bolema, stare disconsolately at the empty bed of their absent partner, Margaret Nagy, who was ill for over a week was taken home and then to Butterworth hospital in Grand Rapids.

Her roommates are kept posted each day by Margaret, who is now convalescing. Butterworth officials say she may not leave until there is definite signs of improvement.

BUSHRAH, ARABIA, May 10—Dates on the domestic market will remain at a premium May day.



By Anchor telephoto service

... Anthony Eden leaving Number 10 Downing St. to visit Mabel on her London stop-over.

### Famed Dutch Sportsmen Heard In Informal Chat

AMSTERDAM, May 10—The sun is setting in typical Grantland Rice fashion here at the Van de Reourke bowl. Twenty thousand Dutchmen and ten interpreters fill the stands. On the field muddy footballers swing their bats in the hope of a scholarship to Hope. The score is 1-0 at the end of the first chucker. Five pole ponies stand in the penalty box munching their crackers and buttermilk. Overhead the Wright brothers are getting the air in typical aeronautical fashion in their latest creation, a glider with a mother-in-law seat (you know, drop seat).

Sitting in the third row from the footlights we spy Micheal Mouskin and Rachimonoff chatting over the latest international crisis. We draw breathlessly nearer to overhear and record for posterity their epoch making conversation.

Says Micheal, "Say, Rackey, ol' boy, who is this Mabel dame I've been hearing so much about? If she's all she's cracked up to be I'll be throwing over Minny for the little number."

Returns Rackey, "Micheal, my boy, if you had lived as long as I you would be aware of the scarcity of purses and pulchritude in the Netherlands. Ever since I left the steppes of Russia, not a lynching nor a May day have I attended. They don't even give out passes to amateur nights here!"

(Pause for station identification.) It's Mickey's turn. "Squeaking of May day, have you heard the latest?"

Other side of the court, "No." Return (at this juncture several bombers flew overhead advertising May day. It was impossible to record the conversation taking place between the two connoisseurs of gossip, however.)

Suddenly they both jumped up, ran out into the field and shouted: "Long live May day. Boy, we'll be there. Taxi!"

### Lurking Figure Is Education Student

After snooping and questioning in the region of Graves hall, we have solved the mystery of who was the strange man lurking about last Thursday.

Dr. F. Turner, who was the mystery man for a time, also is coordinator of the Michigan Co-operative study, met in a committee meeting with Dr. Wynand Wichers, Paul Brouwer and other members of the faculty Thursday afternoon. The study is an investigation of 22 colleges of Michigan having teacher training study, and is under the direction of state board of education.

#### Librarian Studies Drama

Mias Elizabeth Conner, assistant librarian, is a member of the Theater Study group which is studying American drama under the auspices of the American Association of University Women. The play, "The Silver Cord," by Sidney Howard, is being studied and will be read at the June meeting of the AAUW.

### Final May Day Sched Announced As Events Begin

HOLLAND, May 10—While all the world looked towards this city's May day festivities, officials for the event announced everything in readiness. To nose newshounds and fresh photographers General Chairwoman Althea Raffenaud today announced petulantly, "I have nothing more to say. This year's May day program speaks for itself. No, we're not giving comps to the banquet."

Schedule for the great traditional convocation was announced as follows:

- 10 o'clock  
Girls sports on the athletic field. Baseball between frosh and sophs, juniors and seniors.
  - 1 o'clock  
Inter-fraternity track meet on the athletic field.
  - 6 o'clock  
Coronation ceremonies to be held in sunken garden. Includes Alcor tapping.
  - 7 o'clock  
Banquet at the Armory. Includes dinner, humor, toasts to the queen, 20-minute speech by Dr. B. J. Mulder.
- Banquet is formal for girls, dark suits for fellows.

Deadline for purchasing banquet tickets is 10 o'clock this morning. So hurry, hurry, see your society representative now.

### State Secretary Praises Cabinet

HOLLAND, May 10—State secretary for the propagation of May day, Althea Raffenaud, issued a proclamation of gratitude today addressed to her cabinet. "Youse guys have worked loyally and well," she quothed.

Cabinet members who bowed and smiled were: Bernice Freligh, Ruth Van Popering, Elynor Spaan, Dean Dykstra, Rose Teninga, Robert Bonthius, Gene Nafe, Robert Powers, Virginia Verstrate, Dorothy Boeve, Lois Heinrichs, Ed Luidens, and Teddy Meulendyke. Behind the scenes workers who produced the effects included: Carolyn Kremers, Emily Kardux, Tibber Jennings, Gene Hoover, and Don Sager.

### Foreign Correspondent Addresses Pi Kappans At Annual Banquet

Mr. Junius B. Wood, foreign press correspondent recently retired from the staff of the Chicago Tribune, addressed members of Pi Kappa Delta Monday night as they gathered for their annual spring banquet at the Anchor inn.

Preceding the speech, Anthony Pennings, president-elect of the campus speech organization, and his staff of assisting officers, took the oath of service at a formal installation ceremony conducted by Virginia Ellison, retiring president.

#### He Talked Too Much

Oh, oh, — talked yourself into something else, hey, Prof? Yep, Dr. Bruce M. Raymond, professor of history, kicked about the way the tickets were handled last year for the Tulip festival, so S. H. Houtman, local Tulip Time manager, gave him the job this year. He is to be in charge of the ticket sales for all activities at River-view park.

(By ACP)—The Louisiana State University zoology museum recently was given a collection of skins of 300 rare birds.

(By ACP)—The Pan-American Student Chain is sponsoring an automobile-caravan tour of Mexico this summer.

The Anchor wishes all its readers a pleasant and prosperous vacation. "Second semester's started! Have you?"

### All Firing Ceases at Behest of Raffenaud

### Allies, Nazis Join in May Pole Dance Plans Completed in Telephone Booth

(By cable from The Anchor's Berlin Bureau)

By FRITZ BERTSCH

BERLIN, May 10—Firing at all points along the western and Norwegian fronts ceased at 2 A. M. Friday (9 A. M., EST) in keeping with a proclamation issued by Der Fuehrer simultaneously through the high command and foreign offices late Thursday night. The order directed an armistice



By Anchor telephoto service

... Adolph Hitler declaring 24-hour Armistice because of May day demoralization, as troops clamor to know, "Who will be new M-day queen?"

### Armistice Hurdles New York Curb; Botz Bizz Booms

NEW YORK, May 10—The stock market took a fling upward today as a result of the European armistice. Clothing and related industries skyrocketed due to increased demands for long staple cotton drawers and May day skirts from abroad.

Clothing magnate, Carl S. Botz, danced about in ticker tape and spats explaining to reporters that May day festivities had pulled his business out of the closet just in time to escape the second crop of moths, which moves in on this city May 11.

### CONTINENTAL KEYHOLE

HOLLAND, MICH., May 10—It's May day here at Hope college. Who's queen?

TIMBUCTU, May 10—With French soldiers at the local mud, brick, tile and dirt fort all spending their time speculating as to the identity of Hope's queen, the commandant has ordered all work, if any, to cease, and has invited the bushie-wushies in to join the lads at a hammed banquet thrown together to simulate the original, not thrown together.

BUCHAREST, May 10—Oil field reports are that the Nazis have again greased the palm of high officials and walked off with nine million gallons of Allied defeat on M-day.

BUDAPEST, May 10—A Hungary official left hurriedly last night. Questioned, he said, "Boy, am I! Ham, potatoes and gravy with a great deal of etc., 60c at the Holland armory."

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 10—High officials here Friday said, "Turkey got caught in the squeeze last time. Ham or nothin' tonight."

SANTIAGO, May 10—Officials here last night, in commenting on the banquet, stated, "Chile is prepared for the dinner. Ask for it."

(By ACP)—During its last fiscal year, the University of Minnesota had receipts totaling approximately 12 million dollars.

(By ACP)—Oberlin College seniors vote for the person they want to address them at their commencement exercises.

of one day at the request of Althea Raffenaud, Hope state secretary for the propagation of May days, when she realized that the war would not be over before the event.

#### Guggenheim Says, "Great Day!"

In reading Hitler's proclamation to 10,000 youths and soldiers gathered before the balcony of the ministry of war building Thursday, Gen. Willem Guggenheim von Schleiswig, commandant of cigarette supply division of the quarter-master corps of the Nazi army, said, "This is a great day in which to live! We need not have lived in that day when the Spanish Armada steamed up the English channel. We are living in a day when wars are called off to satisfy that natural desire of mankind to attend May day festivities."

The proclamation, apparently penned by Hitler himself, stated, "We gotta have some relief, boys. The Allied Supreme War Council has kindly consented to erect a May pole if we'll bring the (censored) and pretzels, so it's May day tomorrow, and 24 hours off with pay."

#### What's the Score?

According to usually reliable but unconfirmed sources close to the ministry of defense, soldiers of the Reich will abandon their arms at midnight, and will get in their first good night's sleep in six months before arising at 8 A. M. (2 P. M. EST) to get a final score on women's sports. Many of them have been wondering what the score is since the war started.

Entertainment as planned jointly by the Allied Supreme War Council, Hitler and King Haakon at the armistice meeting held in a telephone booth somewhere back of the Siegfried line yesterday, was rumored in official circles here today to include a May day dance by all veterans of the last war around a blitzed Pole erected between the lines. Undo activity in German clothing factories last night would seem to confirm this report, as most of them were turning out pink and blue shorts and skirts, sizes 40-46. Other entertainment was believed to undoubtedly include a sham battle.

#### Butter to be Wasted

Persistent reports here indicate that one or more representatives of each battalion engaged in the conflict will be sent special delivery to witness the original May day celebration of the Hope college campus. According to wire information here, each will be greeted at the campus gate by Dr. Wynand Wichers, knight of Orange-Nassau and, incidentally, Hope prime minister, hand in hand with Mabel, propaganda minister of the state, who will wow each with a nice juicy kiss on the hand.

During his daily press interview last night, Hitler's private secretary informed the group of newspaper men that Hitler, Von Ribbons Off and Erring will attend the meet in white uniforms, big laundry bill notwithstanding. It is reported that former Polish officials will be allowed to witness festivities from the protection of the Maggy line. Other persistent reports here include the one that Hitler will unbend a patty of butter in celebration of the day, and that the German people will each be given one-fourth gram extra oleo on the day.